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Note to Reviewers: This table provides example concepts for alternatives under the HCP/NCCP and EIS/EIR. These examples incorporate a number of components that have been considered during the development of the draft proposed conservation strategy. These alternatives would be subjected to coarse-level and fine-level screening processes to determine the extent of additional analysis to be conducted. The alternatives that were carried forward would be more fully described and evaluated. An alternative could include sub-alternatives related to its component parts.

Examples of HCP Alternatives under ESA Section 10								
	Proposed Project/	No Project/No Action	Reduced Export	Thru-Delta Only	Fully Isolated			
	Action		Alternative *	Alternative *	Alternative *			
Conveyance	Eastside canal	Open thru-Delta using existing SWP/CVP facilities	Eastside canal - Reduced Export	Leveed through-Delta (no canal)	Eastside canal - fully isolated			
	Open thru-Delta.		open thru-Delta - Reduced Export	Isolate Old River with 4 gates and new siphon under Old River	No thru-Delta conveyance			
	3-mile slough gate]	3-mile slough gate	3-mile slough gate				
Habitat Restoration	all habitat restoration locations (all ROAs)	no habitat restoration	reduced habitat restoration	habitat restoration limited to westside of Delta: Cache Complex, Suisun, West Delta, Old River ROAs	all habitat restoration locations with expanded acreage of restoration			
Other Stressors	all other stressor measures	no other stressor measures	reduced other stressor measures	all other stressor measures	all other stressor measures			
Terrestrial Species	all species measures	no species measures	all species measures	reduced number of species	all species measures			

^{*} These alternatives could also be EIS/EIR alternatives

Examples of EIS/EIR Alternatives under NEPA/CEQA								
	No Project/No Action -	Enhanced Habitat	Other Stressors	Westside Canal	Modified Operations			
	Reduced Exports	Alternative	Focused Alternative	Alternative	Only Alternative			
Conveyance	Open thru-Delta using existing	Eastside canal	Eastside canal	Westside canal	No canal			
	SWP/CVP facilities with exports at NEPA baseline	open thru-Delta	open thru-Delta	'	open thru-Delta with modified operations			
		3-mile slough gate	3-mile slough gate	3-mile slough gate	3-mile slough gate			
Habitat Restoration	no habitat restoration	all habitat restoration locations with <u>expanded</u> acreage of restoration within ROAs	no habitat restoration	all habitat restoration locations (all ROAs)	no habitat restoration			
Other Stressors	no other stressor measures	no other stressor measures	all other stressor measures	all other stressor measures	no other stressor measures			
Terrestrial Species	no species measures	all species measures	all species measures	all species measures	reduced covered species list			

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